



Read to Achieve

Diagnostic and Intervention Services

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Webcast The final webcast for the year will be available on CIITS April 22. Although CIITS notifies me of those who register for the webcast, there is no way for me to know that you watch it unless you send an email to me. There is always a code included in the webcast that needs to be emailed to me at judith.halasek@education.ky.gov. That code can be the subject of the email and nothing else needs to be written.

The agenda for the April webcast will be directions for completing the attendance report for the year, along with ideas for working with English Learners, and tips to promote summer reading.

The RTA program needs feedback from teachers and administrators every year so improvements can be made. The link below will allow us to get that feedback from you in a 15 minute survey. All responses will be anonymous and if you do not wish to respond or share certain information, that is your choice. Thank you for your help with this.

Classroom Teacher Survey:

https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_da7ZhkJDyEZ029v

Administrator Survey:

https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_41v3VWNMb9ODaxBb

Attendance Report Spring attendance data will be due between May 30 and June 6, and will be submitted through a secure drop box. You will get an email from me on May 29 with instructions to log on. It will look very similar to an older version of *Outlook* and you will attach your information the same way.

Since you will be sending student ID numbers, this will be a totally secure transfer so no student information is compromised.

If your school ends several days before May 30 and you need to finish the attendance report early, let me know and we will adjust on an individual basis.



Important Dates



April 22

Fourth RTA webcast
available on CIITS

May 15

Program Evaluation
Report due on Survey
Monkey

May 30—June 6

Attendance report
due

You can never be
overdressed or
overeducated.
-Oscar Wilde

Professional Learning PD 360 has a 17 minute video entitled *Teaching and Learning: Interventions*, which has ideas for teaching English Learners. If you have never looked at PD 360, it can be accessed through CIITS. Log on to CIITS and look on the lower left side of the home page. Click on the PD 360 logo and there you can type in the name of a particular video topic for which you are searching, or you can click on the PD Videos icon. By clicking on the icon you will see all videos listed by topic such as *English Language Learners*, *Differentiation*, *Intervention and RTI*, *Instructional Strategies*, and the list goes on.

Another place to find professional learning videos is on the KDE Media Portal at <http://mediaportal.education.ky.gov/> . The KDE Media Portal is the central repository for videos provided by the Kentucky department of Education. Videos are produced on a broad range of topics, aligned with the KDE's strategic plan and of interest to school administrators, teachers, KDE staff and others throughout the Commonwealth. There you can find videos on assessment and accountability, college and career readiness, curriculum and teaching, educator effectiveness, finance, leadership, next-generation schools and districts, preschool, school nutrition, and technology.

Next year, all RTA teachers will be required to enter information in Infinite Campus on the intervention tab for all students receiving RTA interventions. There is a video explaining the intervention tab on the KDE Media Portal. Familiarizing oneself with this tab before next fall would be beneficial. To find this video, type *Infinite Campus Intervention Tab* in the search box on the Media Portal.

Tentative information for the 2014 Read to Achieve Awards can be found on the KDE website by typing *competitive grant awards* in the search box. These awards are subject to passage of the budget.